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Border Infrastructure
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been an increase in the number of attacks on India's borders in the last three years and if so the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has improved border security through creation of modern border infrastructure along the Indo-Pak and Indo-Bangladesh borders;

(c) if so, the details of such infrastructure work carried out during each of the last three years and the current year;

(d) the details of budgetary allocation made for border infrastructure during the said period;

(e) whether the said allocations have not been utilised and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(f) the measures taken by the Government to ensure full utilisation of the allocated funds in view of the rising threats of attacks along the borders?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJIJU)

(a): The details of cross border firing on Indo-Pak International Border in Jammu region in the last three years and current year (upto 31.03.2017) are as under:-

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Year No of cross- border firing incidents on International border Casualties of BSF personnel during cross-border firing incidents on International Border
Died Injured
2014 430 2 15
2015 253 1 5
2016 221 3 10
2017 (up to 31.03.17) 08 - -

(b) & (c): Improvement in border security is a continuous process. The Government has adopted a multipronged approach for security arrangements at the borders to curb cross border crimes. The arrangements include deployment of Border Guarding Force (BGF), construction of border fence, construction of border roads, installation of floodlights, construction of Border Out Posts (BOPs), introduction of Hi-tech surveillance equipment's, providing advanced weapons and Specialized Vehicles to Security Forces, etc.

(d) to (f): For Indo- Bangladesh and Indo- Pakistan borders, an amount of Rs. 2230.86 Crore was made in revised allocations during last three years viz. 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17. Further, an amount of Rs. 1300 Crore have been allocated for the current financial year i.e. 2017-18. The Government is taking all possible measures for full utilization of allocated funds for border infrastructure. This includes periodic review meetings with implementing agencies and Border Guarding Forces at various levels.

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